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## **RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116**

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in response to Examiner's Office Action dated May 17, 2006, which Action is made final.

Applicants respectfully request that these amendments and remarks be entered in pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.116, and respectfully request reconsideration of claim 8.